

Application No.: 10/629,152

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REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed April 5, 2006. Applicants submit that claim 8 has been amended hereby; claim 9 has been canceled hereby. Support for the changes of claim 8 can be found in claim 1, as originally filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims 1-4, 6-7, 10, 11, 13-16, as previously presented and claim 8, as currently amended, are respectfully requested.

Present Status of the Application

The Office Action rejected claims 1, 6-9, and 13-15 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kawano (JP 20011243432A and computer translated Detailed Description). The Office Action rejected claims 2, 3, 10, and 11 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawano in view of Winder et al. (US 6,133,832). The Office Action rejected claims 4 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawano in view of Waterhouse et al. (US 2004/0205350 A1).

Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. 102(e)

The Office Action rejected claims 1, 6-9, and 13-15 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kawano (JP 20011243432A and computer translated Detailed Description).

In response to the rejection to claims 1, 6-9, and 13-15 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by C, Applicants hereby otherwise traverse the rejection and submit that the present

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invention as set forth in claim 1, as originally filed, and claim 8, as currently amended, are neither taught, disclosed, nor suggested by Kawano, or any of the other cited references, taken alone or in combination.

With respect to claim 1, as originally filed, recites in part:

A contactless radio frequency magnetic field data transmission card ... comprising:

... a magnetic field identification chip, coupled to the antenna module and the micro processing unit ... (Emphasis added.)

Applicants submit that such a contactless radio frequency magnetic field data transmission card, as set forth in claim 1, is neither taught, disclosed, nor suggested, by Kawano or any of the other cited references, taken alone or in combination.

The Examiner contends that Kawano discloses "... a magnetic field identification chip (IC chip 11), coupled to the antenna module (12) and the micro processing unit (14) ..." (last paragraph of page 2 of the current Office Action). However, as shown in FIG. 1, Kawano discloses that item 14 is a control circuit that is a component of item 11 that is an IC chip (Paragraph [0007]). Applicants submit that one of ordinary skill in the art would not understand an IC chip as being coupled to an element of itself, and subsequently be taught by Kawano to construct a contactless radio frequency magnetic field data transmission card having elements arranged as required by claim 1, as originally filed. Because the elements taught by Kawano are not arranged as required by claim 1, claim 1 and its dependent claims 6 and 7 are submitted to be novel and unobvious over Kawano, or any of the other cited references, taken alone or in combination, and thus should be allowed (MPEP §2131).

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Similarly, claim 8, as currently amended, recites in part:

A contactless radio frequency magnetic field data transmission system, comprising:

... a **magnetic field identification chip, coupled to the antenna module and the micro processing unit** ... (Emphasis added.)

Applicants submit that claim 8 has been amended to include subject matter to which the allowability of claim 1 relies on. The allowability thereof has been discussed above as the elements taught by Kawano are not arranged as required by the claim. Therefore, claim 8 and its dependent claims 9, and 13-15 are submitted to be novel and unobvious over Kawano, or any of the other cited references, taken alone or in combination, and thus should be allowed.

Claim Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

The Office Action rejected claims 2, 3, 10, and 11 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawano in view of Winder et al. (US 6,133,832).

If independent claim 1 is allowable over the prior art of record, then its dependent claims 2 and 3 are allowable as a matter of law, because these dependent claims contain all features of their respective independent claim 1. *In re Fine*, 837 F.2d 1071 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

If independent claim 8 is allowable over the prior art of record, then its dependent claims 10 and 11 are allowable as a matter of law, because these dependent claims contain all features of their respective independent claim 8. *In re Fine*, 837 F.2d 1071 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

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The Office Action rejected claims 4 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawano in view of Waterhouse et al. (US 2004/0205350 A1).

If independent claim 1 is allowable over the prior art of record, then its dependent claim 4 is allowable as a matter of law, because these dependent claims contain all features of their respective independent claim 1. *In re Fine*, 837 F.2d 1071 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

If independent claim 8 is allowable over the prior art of record, then its dependent claim 16 are allowable as a matter of law, because these dependent claims contain all features of their respective independent claim 8. *In re Fine*, 837 F.2d 1071 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

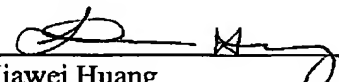
CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is believed that the pending claims 1-7 are in proper condition for allowance and an action to such effect is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,
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